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**Governor Compensation Amendments**

2026 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Brady Brammer**

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**LONG TITLE**

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**General Description:**

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This bill adjusts the governor's salary.

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**Highlighted Provisions:**

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This bill:

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▸ beginning July 1, 2026, sets the salary of the governor equal to the total annual

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compensation of the chief justice of the Supreme Court; and

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▸ makes technical changes.

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**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

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None

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**Other Special Clauses:**

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This bill provides a special effective date.

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**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

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AMENDS:

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**67-22-1**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapter 432

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

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Section 1. Section **67-22-1** is amended to read:

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**67-22-1 . Compensation -- Constitutional offices.**

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(1)(a) The salary for the governor shall be [~~set annually by the Legislature in an~~

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~~appropriations act] equal to the salary of the chief justice of the Supreme Court, plus~~

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~~the additional compensation provided to the chief justice under Subsection~~

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~~78A-3-101(3)(g).~~

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(b) Constitutional office salaries shall be based on the following percentages of the

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salary of the governor:

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(i) lieutenant governor: 90% of the governor's salary;

- 29 (ii) attorney general: 95% of the governor's salary;
- 30 (iii) state auditor: 90% of the governor's salary; and
- 31 (iv) state treasurer: 90% of the governor's salary.
- 32 (2) The Legislature fixes benefits for the constitutional offices as follows:
- 33 (a) governor:
- 34 (i) a vehicle for official and personal use;
- 35 (ii) housing;
- 36 (iii) household and security staff;
- 37 (iv) household expenses;
- 38 (v) retirement benefits as provided in Title 49, Utah State Retirement and Insurance
- 39 Benefit Act;
- 40 (vi) health insurance;
- 41 (vii) dental insurance;
- 42 (viii) basic life insurance;
- 43 (ix) workers' compensation;
- 44 (x) required employer contribution to Social Security;
- 45 (xi) long-term disability income insurance; and
- 46 (xii) the same additional state paid life insurance available to other noncareer service
- 47 employees; and
- 48 (b) lieutenant governor, attorney general, state auditor, and state treasurer:
- 49 (i) a vehicle for official and personal use;
- 50 (ii) the option of participating in a:
- 51 (A) state retirement system in accordance with Title 49, Utah State Retirement
- 52 and Insurance Benefit Act:
- 53 (I) Chapter 12, Public Employees' Contributory Retirement Act;
- 54 (II) Chapter 13, Public Employees' Noncontributory Retirement Act; or
- 55 (III) Chapter 22, New Public Employees' Tier II Contributory Retirement Act;
- 56 or
- 57 (B) deferred compensation plan administered by the State Retirement Office, in
- 58 accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and its accompanying rules and
- 59 regulations;
- 60 (iii) health insurance;
- 61 (iv) dental insurance;
- 62 (v) basic life insurance;

- 63 (vi) workers' compensation;
- 64 (vii) required employer contribution to Social Security;
- 65 (viii) long-term disability income insurance; and
- 66 (ix) the same additional state paid life insurance available to other noncareer service
- 67 employees.

68 (3) Each constitutional office shall pay the cost of the additional state-paid life insurance  
69 for its constitutional officer from its existing budget.

70 Section 2. **Effective Date.**

71 This bill takes effect on July 1, 2026.